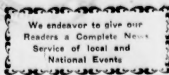


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## THE WORLD OVER

### KIONAPPERS MAY BE IN WINPEO

### NEW BANK BILL EXPECTED SOON

### CIVIL WAR IN AUSTRIA PROVE

**WINPEO**—Possibility that part of all of the gang which kidnapped Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul Broker, are hiding in Winnipeg was seen over the week end, when it was learned that United States federal agents have been in the city for some days, seeking clues which may lead to apprehension of the snatches.

It is believed a contact man, employed by the Bremer family, is still in Winnipeg. He came to the city last Thursday and in the personal column of a Winnipeg newspaper there appeared an advertisement believed to be a message to members of the gang.

**OTTAWA**—Banking legislation expected by the Dominion government at most exclusively at a three-hour session of cabinet council on Monday and it is anticipated the bill will authorize establishment of a central bank, and to revise the Bank Act, will be brought into the House of Commons this week.

Several conferences between Prime Minister R.L. Bennett and Hon. E. N. Rhodes, Minister of Finance, and officials of the Canadian Bankers' Association, have taken place in the past fortnight and the draft bill has been revised several times since it was printed.

**VIENNA**—Feb. 12—Socialists opposing a "Fascist threat in the government" and police and soldiers battled through a night of terror. In many parts of Austria and the number of dead is rising daily. Machine guns kept up a sporadic rain; troops were being hurriedly called into action hand grenades and bombs exploded in Vienna and other important cities. Socialists, after declaring a general strike, challenged authorities and defied the artillery of government forces.

On Tuesday night machine guns blazed in the dark, night and the warning that the Government intends to remain at all costs.

The bourgeoisie of Vienna, once the great capital in all the world, were blocked by barbed wire barricades, while machine guns were mounted in her lovely old church steeples.

The green and white flag of the Heimwehr—the home guard of the Fascist faction—flashed over the Vienna city hall which until now has been occupied by Socialist office holders, elected by 64 per cent of Vienna's voters.

The leaders of the outlawed Socialist Republican party were clandestine secret orders to resist the government to the end. Use any and all weapons, said the orders, no matter how terrible the conflict may be.

## EXEMPT MONTH OF JANUARY IN MOTOR LICENSE RULING

**EDMONTON**—Statutory declaration from motorists applying for reduced motor license fees to state that they have not used their cars in the current year up until such time as application is made, will be required to date only from February 1 and not from January 1, as at first announced, according to Premier J.R. Brown.

In making his announcement, the Premier said: "As the government does not wish anyone to feel that a surprise move was made and as the regulation regarding the declaration—which has been in force regarding other discounts—was not generally known, we have decided that the statutory declaration will only have to be made as records not operating the car from February 1 onward, the date upon which the police check-up commenced."

## WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL CREDIT, CANADA?

This series is an explanation of the Douglas Social Credit Plan. Mr. Williams (W) is a Social Credit advocate, in explaining the plan to his friend, Mr. Jones (J). The scene is Mr. Williams' home, and the conversation takes place during an evening visit.

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W: "Now we come to a very interesting subject—Money. The first thing is to define the word so that we know what we are talking about. What is money?"

J: "Well, er—do you want a definition?"

W: "No, thanks. I'll give you one. Money is no money, does it? That is anything that performs the functions of money. Money is money. Of course, if you want to go into real business of abstract philosophy—"

J: "Don't bother."

W: "—you say that money was just an idea. But to start on, let us take Professor Walker's definition of money. 'Money is any medium which has reached such a degree of acceptability that no matter what it is made of, and no matter why people want it, no one will refuse it in exchange for his product.' As a definition I find it satisfactory. What about you?"

J: "Well I suppose so. When you come to think of it, men through the ages have used all kinds of things for money. Beads, stones, playing cards, and I believe I read once where tobacco was used in some parts of the States as a medium of exchange."

W: "Yes, and at one stage we chose metals for their convenience and durability but we passed on to a paper currency and today the great bulk of our money is neither paper nor metal."

J: "Oh yes, I forgot that. But what—these're only paper documents representing real cash?"

W: "Now, Jones, you don't mean to tell me that as a business man constantly using the credit facilities of a banking institution, you think a bank lends money?"

J: "But I'm trying to tell you—the cash when you obtain a loan?"

W: "That's true, but you're not talking about your business by drawing on that account by cheque?"

## Second Farmers Member Joins Liberal Ranks

### 3,000 DUCKS MENACE TO FEED

A novelty of six years ago is a post at present to farmers living near Clear Creek, 20 miles southwest of Rocky Mountain House.

Six years ago a farmer fed three pairs of ducks throughout the winter. Today there are three thousand in the district threatening precious winter and stocks of corn and grain. The ducks live on small open ponds that feed the Raven and Clear creeks. They are unafraid of man or beast and make no effort to fly if approached.

The provincial government is making arrangements to feed grain to the wild ducks.

### WANT TRAVELLED ROAD FROM DRUMHELLER TO VEGREVILLE

Drumheller and other towns north of here are boasting a movement to have a new provincial travelled road built from Drumheller to Vegreville, and recently sent a declaration to Edmonton asking for it.

"I wish our bank could get on its feet enough to stop sending back our cheques marked 'No funds' said the bride. 'A bank that can't get enough money on hand to pay a H.C. check ought to be merged and put on a sound basis.'"

"It's the loveliest new evening gown she's buying it by instalments."

"I think I must have seen her in the first."

### SEATING REAL CASH

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J: "Yes, but the bank may have the money before they can lend it."

W: "But I'm trying to tell you—the banks don't lend money."

J: "Well, what do they do?"

W: "They lend credit which acts as money. It is created by a stroke of the pen, and costs them practically nothing."

J: "Oh, come now. What are you trying to put over. Is this some of your Social Credit ideas?"

W: "I don't make any laugh. I'm still thinking orthodox economics. No, recognize it in the Social Credit analysis because it is in fact and every informed individual must realize it. But you still look incredulous."

J: "Yes, I don't get it at all."

W: "Well, I suppose I could send a lot of time arguing on my own trying to convince you but I expect if you don't believe me you'll believe the statements of leading bankers and orthodox economists."

J: "Why yes. Can you show me such evidence?"

W: "Let's look at the Encyclopedia Britannica. Jones, do you think that this is a reliable source of reference?"

J: "I should say so. I wish I had a set myself."

W: "Listen. On page 18 of Volume 3 of the latest edition of the Encyclopedia it says: 'banks create credit. It is a mistake to suppose that bank credit is created in any important extent by the payment of money to the banks... it is credit money. It is a clear addition to the amount of the means of payment in the community.' THE BANKING BOOKS NOW LISTED NOW. Now that should be clear enough to convince you."

J: "Well, that sounds pretty clear. What section is it in? It is in a part dealing with Socialism by a Socialist contributor?"

W: "Still unconvinced, eh? No, it is not in any such section. It is under the section headed Banking and Credit. But wait. I'll tell you one more thing. I don't interrupt you now while I give you some evidence that I have collected from various sources."

### (CONTINUED NEXT WEEK)

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When Peter A. Miskew, M.L.A., last week led the government to cross the floor to Liberal benches, he started something. Over St. Germain, M.L.A., St. Albert, followed him Tuesday.

Political circles hummed with conversation over Mr. St. Germain's action which confirmed suspicion that all was not well in U.C.A. ranks.

His preference for the Liberal side followed three days after Mr. Miskew made his somewhat sensational announcement.

## ALBERTA LEGISLATURE OPENED LAST THURSDAY

**EDMONTON**—Feb. 8—Cannon today boomed a 15-gun victory salute to Hon. W.L. Walsh, lieutenant-governor, who opened the fourth session of the seventh legislature of the Province of Alberta. The galleries were packed for the opening ceremony.

Extension of public utility board powers to various projects to stabilize prices and to avoid unfair competition, was announced in the speech from the throne.

Certain projected highway work is to be undertaken as relief measures. It is hoped, the speech said, and the bridging of the 1932 Debt Adjustment Act is also announced.

Friday, A.M. Miskew, U.C.A. Vice-president, moved the adoption of the motion from the throne and B. M. McLeod, U.C.A. Chairman, seconded it. Mr. Miskew of Victoria riding, and Omer St. Germain, St. Albert, who recently bolted from the U.C.A. ranks were seated in the Liberal section of the house when it opened.

## Snicklefritz



Lady—Come back here, boy! That boy isn't a boy.

Boy on bank—"That ain't fair missus. I bet him five cents he'd fall in."

Mr. Dinko—What I say never seems to bear any fruit.

Mr. Dinko—It might if you pronounce it.

Cool Merchant—Quick! My coat yard is on fire!

Firman—Oh is it? Well, if it's the same stuff as you've sold me there's no hurry!

Before going to a neighbor's party Tommy was impressed on not to add for anything until it was handed to him. As it happened he was overlooked in the crowd, and the more he started when Tommy was handed to him in plaintiff tones: "Does anyone want a clean plate?"

"Does your husband confide his business troubles to you?"

"Yes, every time I hear anything."

Husband—Lying is not one of my failings.

Wife—No dear, it's one of your accomplishments.

"With whom was your wife quarrelling last night?"

"Oh—she was scolding the dog."

"Poor beast—I heard her threaten to take the bitch away from him."

"You say you served in France?"

He said the new restaurant manager, he sampled the new cook's first soup.

"Yes sir, Officer's cook for two years and wounded twice."

"You're lucky man. It's a wonder they didn't kill you."

## St Hopkins Orchestra Draws ENORMOUS CROWD

The first visit of the St Hopkins old time orchestra to Carbon on Monday night of this week proved to be one of the outstanding dances in the history of the town. About 250 people packed the Farmers Exchange hall to take in the affair and both young and old seemed an enjoyable evening and a good part of the morning, the dance breaking up shortly before 4 a.m.

Receipts at the door amounted to \$1425 and expenses were \$547, leaving a balance of \$878, which goes to the Old Times Association, sponsors of the dance.

So well pleased were the people with the orchestra that it has been engaged to play for two more dances in the district in the near future. Posters are already out announcing the dance in the Grainer hall on Wednesday, February 28th. This dance is being held under the auspices of the Play Club, and St Hopkins orchestra has to play the music. Grainer hall has been named the place for its socials, dances and the people in that district promise you the same old time courtship and entertainment for which they were noted for at one time.

On Monday, March 19th, the Carbon Curling Club will put on a dance in the Farmers Exchange hall, and the St Hopkins orchestra has also been engaged to play the music on this occasion. Further particulars will be announced later regarding this dance.

While the St Hopkins orchestra excels in old time music, they are equally as good with the modern type, and their dance music includes plenty of waltzes, Fox Trot and one step for the younger people who do not like old time music—if there are any.

## Southern News

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schultz and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schultz of High River were visiting with friends in the district over the week end.

Mr. E. Berthel, owner, on delivering cream to the Acme Creamery when he sold his business to John Roth.

The program at the First Baptist Church on Sunday night was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Berthel and children motored to Calgary on Friday of last week and returned on Saturday. Mrs. Jacob Olfhouse came out with them and is now visiting with her children in the district.

Mrs. J. Zacharias of Calgary is out visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Berthel.

## SIR MALCOLM CAMPBELL TO TRY RECORD IN UTAH

Sir Malcolm Campbell, British driver who broke an automobile speed record of 300 miles per hour as his latest record, will drive his five-ton Bluebird racer over the Salinas Lake, near Salt Lake City, Utah, in August, in an attempt to smash the mark of 274.10 miles an hour he now holds.

During the summer Sir Malcolm, who raised the record for the fourth time at Daytona Beach, Fla., last February, would try again on the new Utah course, was reported in Washington by cable to the contest. Lord of the American Automobile Association, governing the speed sport in the United States.

## GRASSHOPPERS HEAVILY INFEST CARBON AREAS

According to estimates provided by the Alberta field crops branch the infestation of grasshoppers in this section of Alberta is practically in the center of the area where the hoppers will be troublesome.

The most heavily infested area will extend from Acme in the west to Hinton in the east, according to a statement made by E.L. Gray, field crops commissioner, and Carbon district is as badly infested as any. The area extends north to Hinton, and south to Glendon. Another large area that will be heavily infested is in the south of the province from Mochow to Chin and from Champion to the Montana border. There is also a small area near Hinton.

Mr. Gray points out that while the situation in Alberta is not to be minimized, it is by no means as bad as it is in Saskatchewan, where some 10 million acres will be infested. The situation in Alberta is also bad in the northern areas, where fourteen million acres of crop land are endangered in eight states.

The hopper infestation has spread north as far as the Watrous park, and the coming summer will cover an area of some 5,000,000 acres in Alberta as against 3,500,000 last year. Thus, while it will be a greater dimension, it will not be as severe in districts where it was bad last year.

The department of agriculture is making preparations for combating the hoppers by year and large supplies of material are being collected. A new department will take place this year in the mixing of poison bait, with the addition of oil, which does not allow the bait to dry out as quickly as when water was used.

With the warm spring weather prevalent in the southern part of Alberta, most of the wheat and corn grasshoppers have hatched out in the district and farmers are hoping that the weather will continue for a time so that the heavy frosts later will kill the insects before they have the opportunity of growing to maturity and recording the 1934 crops.

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## Nearly Five Hundred Distinct Species of Birds Are To Be Found In Canada

It is probably not generally known, and the statement may cause surprise, that there are some 480 distinct species of birds in Canada. "Species" is meant "kinds of birds" that average as distinct from each other as dogs from cats, or horses from donkeys. If really fine points are considered all the bird forms that the expert ornithologist recognizes, viewing species as do cattle raisers when they discriminate between breeds of cattle, then the species would be increased to about 600 species, or even more, depending on how finely it is desired to distinguish. All these birds cannot be seen at any one time or in any one place in Canada, or, in fact, anywhere else. Each species has its own season and limits of distribution. Some are sea birds, rarely seen far from water, some are dwellers of the deep forest, while others frequent open prairies, marsh or meadow according to their natural requirements. Some are eastern, others western, some are found in the southern, many are just birds of passage through much of Canada, nesting in the high north, wintering in the south or far away below the International boundary to the humid tropics or even to Antarctica itself.

A certain proportion of these birds are just stray wanderers from home—storm-blown birds, victims of wanderlust or pioneers seeking out new territory to inhabit. But with all these complications and restrictions of distribution almost any given locality in Canada can boast of more kinds of birds than any other locality. Ottawa is not a particularly birdy locality, although—the country over, it occupies a fairly average or representative position. In this respect, yet the latest list of Ottawa birds now contain 246 different species that have been actually observed in the Canadian Capital and the adjoining countryside at one time or another. Leaving out the occasional stragglers that are likely to be seen only by the accident, once or twice in a life time, there are about 200 birds that any keen and active observer can reasonably expect to meet in and around Ottawa, sooner or later, and one hundred is not too many to hope to see in one day at certain favourable migrational seasons of the year.

Bird banding in Canada and the United States is continuing to afford much new and valuable scientific data concerning the general life histories and the migrations of native wild birds, many of which are of very great economic importance in their relation to man.

Because of bird banding many valuable records respecting the migration, range, breeding and wintering grounds and the general life history of native birds are now available. Further success in bird banding depends very largely on the voluntary co-operation of private citizens in reporting any banded bird which may come to their attention to the central bureau in Canada or the United States. Persons in Canada who find banded birds are earnestly requested to help advance this valuable work by reporting the facts to the Commissioner, National Parks of Canada, Department of the Interior, Ottawa. The finder will be supplied with full banding particulars for any banded bird reported.

Official bands are of aluminium or copper and are inscribed with a series designation and a serial number. It is of course important that the band number be correctly stated in connection with reports concerning band recoveries. The banding of native wild birds is a scientific investigation, international in its scope, and it is being conducted by the National Parks of Canada, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, and the United States Bureau of Biological Survey at Washington, D.C.

**Good Citizenship**  
Development of good citizenship in a great army of young men was the most noteworthy result of the civilian conservation corps, Professor Nelson C. Brown, of the New York State College of Forestry, stated at Montreal before the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association.

A first crop of a railway time table, printed nearly 100 years ago, was sold recently in London for \$1.

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### Leaves Safe Unlocked

**Halifax Merchant's Idea To Prevent Damage Works Fine**

Burglars please note: E. Birt Batoon, who claims you can buy anything from needles to anchors in his waterfront shop at Halifax, doesn't believe in locking his safe. He thinks it's a waste of money and effort.

"Four years," says E. B. B., "I've been annoyed with burglars deliberately spending a whole night working hammer and crowbar to break into this safe." A big, massive, old-fashioned iron box the size of a clothes closet. "The laborer is worthy of his hire and I hated to see a man work all night for nothing, so I don't lock my safe any more. It saves me just \$25 a robbery, too, because they usually ripped the combination all to pieces and when they found no money they became so enraged they threw my typewriters to the floor and upset papers files and drawers, wreaking vengeance on me."

Now I warn them there's no money and I haven't had a break since I began hanging up the sign:

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### THE LLOYD GEORGE PARTY ON HOLIDAY



Here we see Right Hon. David Lloyd George pointing out places of interest in the River Thames to his daughter Megan. Mr. Lloyd George and his family, who form one of the Liberal Parties in the House of Commons, are en route for Lisbon and Estoril for a long delayed holiday. Reports say it is Mr. Lloyd George's first holiday in two years.

### King's English Best

**George Bernard Shaw Ends Discussion Over Oxford Accent**

If King George delivered a single broadcast in an "Oxford accent" his people would rise up that very day and proclaim a republic, declares George Bernard Shaw in a letter to the London Times.

The letter closes a battle over English "as she is spoke" which for many weeks has torn the learned professors asunder. The British Broadcasting commission's committee over which Bernard Shaw presides began the whole thing by issuing another list of the pronunciations recommended for announcers.

Should conduct street in the best style of West End London rhyme with "pundit" or "shoulder"? And so on down the list. Newspapers wrote editorials. Indignant readers wrote indignant letters. The classic-minded sought solace in scraps of Latin and bits of Greek. The vocally stout strove with the north that is given to consonants.

Now Shaw ends the fray by declaring the king's own English is literally the best English, and slams hard at the Oxford accent.

"An Oxford accent," Shaw writes, "is considered by many graduates of that university to be the perfection of current English, but unfortunately over large and densely populated districts of Britain it irritates some listeners to the point of switching off, and infuriates some others as much they smother their wireless sets because they cannot amuse the talker."

### Created Better Feeling

"A fuller understanding and greater unanimity now exists between Dominion and provinces, and the western provinces may expect more consideration owing to their peculiar circumstances," Hon. John Hart, British Columbia minister of finance, said in a statement on the recent Dominion-provincial conference at Ottawa.

### Need Not Fear Competition

**Canadian Pulp And Paper Industries Can Carry On**

Canadian pulp and paper industries need have no fear of competition from potential newspaper output from the southern United States, where southern pulp is being developed as a pulpwood. If laboratory technicians in Canada progress at the rate they have in the past, G. C. Piche, chief forester, department of lands and forests, Quebec, stated at Montreal. He was addressing the annual dinner of the Canadian Society of Forest Engineers, of which he is president. Holding up a piece of cellophane, Mr. Piche declared that if technicians in Canada could carry on with experimental work such as had led to the discovery of the by-product of pulp, the Dominion's pulp and paper industry could safely and confidently "let them make newspaper from southern pine, and let them make it all."

### Band Broadcasts From 'Plane

**Harp And Piano Only Instruments Not Taken Along**

Jack Hylton and his band flew over London for an hour and a half in an Imperial Airways liner and broadcast a program of music to the Post-office Exhibition in the Strand.

The object was to test a new type of apparatus for the general public. The principal turn, appropriately, was "Fun on the telephone now."

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### French Penal Colony

**Devil's Island Not Bad Place Stinks**

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"As a matter of fact," said Mr. Willem in an interview, "Devil's Island is a hospital colony and contains the sanitarium and other buildings. It is really quite a nice place and very interesting to visit. It is on the island of St. Laurent where the desperadoes who have made attempts to escape, and are regarded as hopeless cases, are put to work in chain gangs, like they did in the southern states of America."

### Erected After Many Years

After lying for 63 years at the side of the building in Kenosha, Wisconsin, whose top it was to adorn, a stone slab, eight feet long, bearing the legend, "Erected 1870 A.D." was placed where the designer had intended it should rest. The work was accomplished by a C.W.A. crew.

### Population Of Winnipeg

Winnipeg's population, exclusive of suburban municipalities, is 221,242, according to a compilation completed recently by the civic assessment department.

### Send Book To Queen Mary

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## Large Sums Of Money Still Being Expended On The Collection Of Antiques

### Tubercular Cows

**Say Infected Animals Being Fed In Ontario**

In the absence of legislation making it compulsory to destroy tubercular cows, many of these infected animals are being peddled through the province, according to findings made public by the Ontario Veterinary Association, in Toronto. The members of the association, who were holding their annual meeting, unanimously demanded some legislation which would compel the marking, at least, of tubercular cattle.

The law is now such that any farmer may have his herd exempted from charges by the government veterinary providing he agrees to having any cattle found tubercular marked with a "T" punched through the ear, but if a farmer engages a veterinarian to examine his cattle he is under no obligation to mark the infected animals and he usually asks them to remove their findings. To recover whatever he may have invested in them. In this way they get peddled about the country.

Where the milk from such cattle is pasteurized, no danger exists to the consumer of the milk becoming infected with the disease, the veterinarians indicated. The real menace from infected cows concerns the health of people in rural districts, who rarely get pasteurized milk. The farmer's children are exposed, as are also the people in the villages and towns in which he sells his milk.

### What Is A Poison?

**No Accurate Definition That Would Apply To Thousands Known**

It may have come as a surprise to some people to learn from Dr. John J. Abel, retiring president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in his recent Boston address, that there is no definition of a "poison" in medical law of the United States or England. "No one has ever been able to give a concise and accurate definition of a poison that would apply to every one of the many thousands of known poisons," said the distinguished Johns Hopkins scientist.

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One thing that the economic depression hasn't yet, at any rate, put a stop to, is the collection of antiques and the paying out of goodly sums for the same. Or, as an Ontario paper, in discussing the matter, says, many of these infected animals are being peddled through the province, according to findings made public by the Ontario Veterinary Association, in Toronto. The members of the association, who were holding their annual meeting, unanimously demanded some legislation which would compel the marking, at least, of tubercular cattle.

There was noted the other day the purchase, at a "bree price," by the British Government and the British Museum, of one of the oldest Bible scripts in existence. A few days later came word of the paying out of a large sum of money by a New York commissioner of some document pertaining to very early days in the political life of the American republic. Now there is to be noted another "deal" that draws its inspiration from Napoleonic times. Some years ago a Polish nobleman, Mr. McCormick, of New York and Chicago, purchased the famous gilded silver dinner service that Napoleon I. once used at his state dinners. He and his husband, Prince Camillo Borghese, Mrs. McCormick paid \$80,000 for it. A few days ago it was put up for sale by the British Museum. McCormick, who now seems to be disposing of a lot of her knickknacks. Her daughter Marie, whose husband was Major General Dyer, of the Middlesex, Conn., tried to buy the dinner service as a gift for \$29,000, but this was refused, and it was sold to the British Museum, altogether \$57,565. Then there were linens and lace that sold for \$32,000. Linen and lace bed sheets went for as much as \$45, and a single lace \$150 for a lace handkerchief. The lace were museum pieces and had been on exhibition in several of the largest American cities. One man paid \$4,000 for a point de Venice lace banquetting cloth, and another as readily parted with \$2,500 for a seventeenth century lace coverlet. A woman fancier bought one lace coverlet, a simple little thing, for \$375, and lost another when it was put up for sale for \$2,000. Another lady paid \$5,000 for six pairs of silk dishes of the same gilded silver, soup tureens of the same gilded silver, snipped up at \$1,250 each, and a pair of candlesticks bought \$1,600.

It is being deduced from these and other transactions of the sort that quite a few people are betting on the likelihood that society is going to continue for some time much as it has in the past, and that the good-gays of gold and silver, lace, diamonds, mahogany, alabasters, oil paintings, and precious stone will continue to be the mainstay of the over-land of society the future may be held for us. Then, of course, too, there is the natural appeal that surrounds the word "antique." Even some of the seemingly most hard-bodily among men warm up to the antique in life.

Such things, too, may raise their moral question in the minds of a few persons. In the light of such human suffering as exists to-day, it may be asked, what is wrong with diverting these large sums of money that are going out so freely in the acquisition of material antiques to the relief of the suffering and the scrap heap of under-privileged, disaster-bound men and women that is to be seen on every hand today?—Lester-Post, Regina.

### Snowshoes Fifteen Miles

C. Rice, 75, of Wickham, New Brunswick, walked 15 miles on snowshoes to attend a meeting of the Queen's County Council. A young councillor, ex-Warden Kierstead, of Brunswick, snowshoed 23 miles in 36 hours, and another, Mr. St. John, 14 of difficulties in getting horses out snowbound roads. All members were present at the roll-call.

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—Lindsay, in the Australian Bulletin.







